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1 most brilliant and effective appellate lawyers in the nation;
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3 WHEREAS, organizations that support Mr. Estrada include
4 the league of united Latin American citizens; the United States
5 chamber of commerce; the Hispanic national bar association; the
6 Hispanic business roundtable and the Latino coalition; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Estrada would be the first Hispanic to sit on
8 the United States court of appeals for the District of Columbia
9 circuit, an important and prestigious position within the
10 federal courts of appeals; and

11 WHEREAS, over one and one-half years have passed since Mr.
12 Estrada's nomination without a vote on the United States senate
13 floor; and

14 WHEREAS, the United States senate judiciary committee has
15 issued a favorable report to the senate but because of partisan
16 politics democratic senators threaten to filibuster a senate
17 floor vote;

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
19 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the Honorable Pete Domenici and the
20 Honorable Jeff Bingaman be requested to work to allow a vote on
21 the floor of the United States senate on the appointment of
22 Miguel Estrada to the United States court of appeals for the
23 District of Columbia Circuit; and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
25 transmitted to the Honorable Pete Domenici and the Honorable

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